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Mr. Johnny Reising

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Re: RtC's on the DRAFT CERTIFICATION REPORT FOR AREA 9, PHASE 1

Dear Mr. Reising:

Ohio EPA has reviewed DOE's September 18, 2002 Response to Comments on the "DRAFT Certification Report for Area 9, Phase 1, 21120-RP-0004 Rev B." Based upon our review, Ohio EPA concurs with DOE's responses and will look for the incorporation of Ohio EPA's comments into the final document.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (937) 285-6466.

Sincerely.

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